17 February 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel

FROM:

Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT:

H. R. 1341, A Bill to require passenger-carrying vehicles purchased for use by the Federal Government to meet certain safety standards

- 1. H. R. 1341 proposes that the Secretary of Commerce shall prescribe certain safety standards applicable to all federal vehicles. The Bill is inadequately drawn as indicated by the fact that it defines the term "interstate commerce" but then fails to use these words elsewhere in the Bill.
- 2. In my opinion CTA need take no action on this Bill.
  Although the standards to be met have not been specified, there would appear to be no reason why our vehicles should not meet the general safety standards for all government vehicles. If it should be desirable for us to purchase and modify a vehicle for operational use, this deviation would appear warranted by our authority in PL 110.



C - Addressee
1 - NCF w/Bill

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